BENJAMIN CHILES 1755-1824
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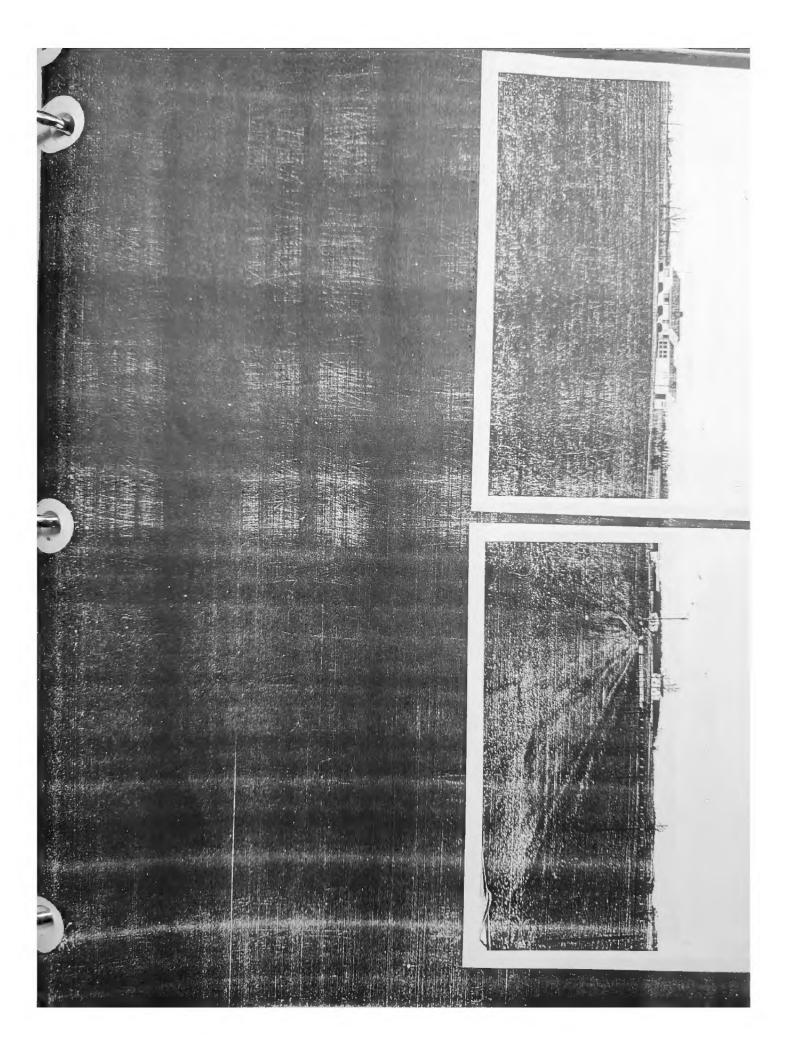
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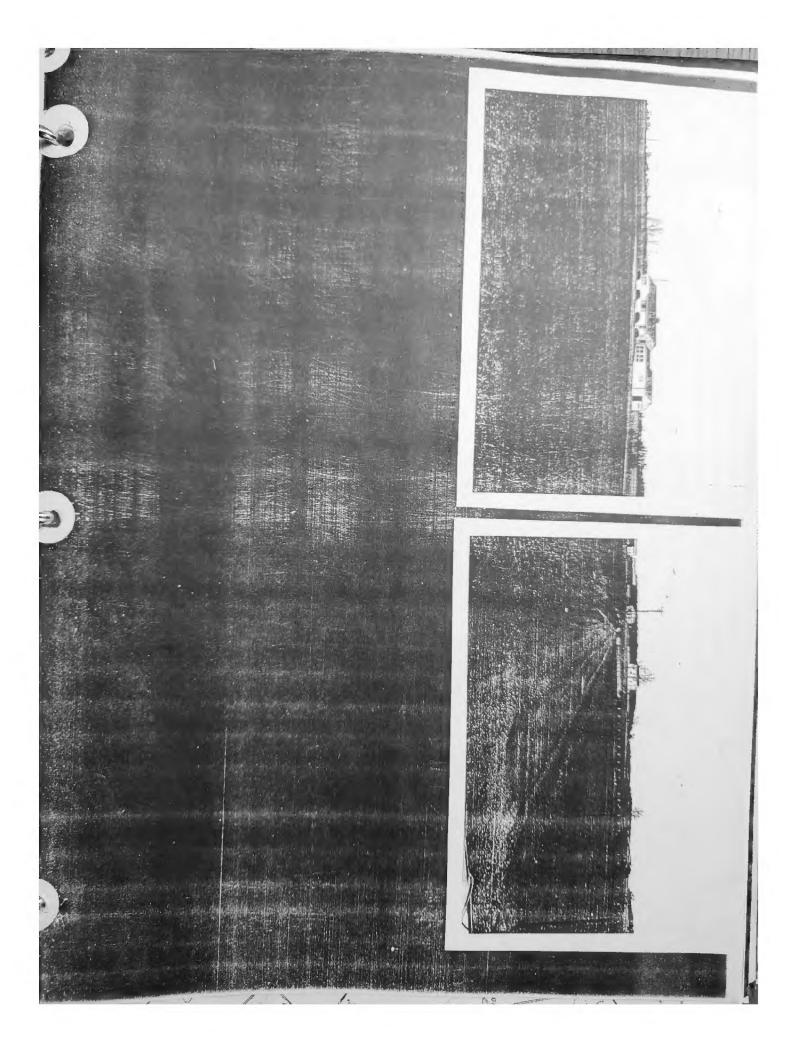
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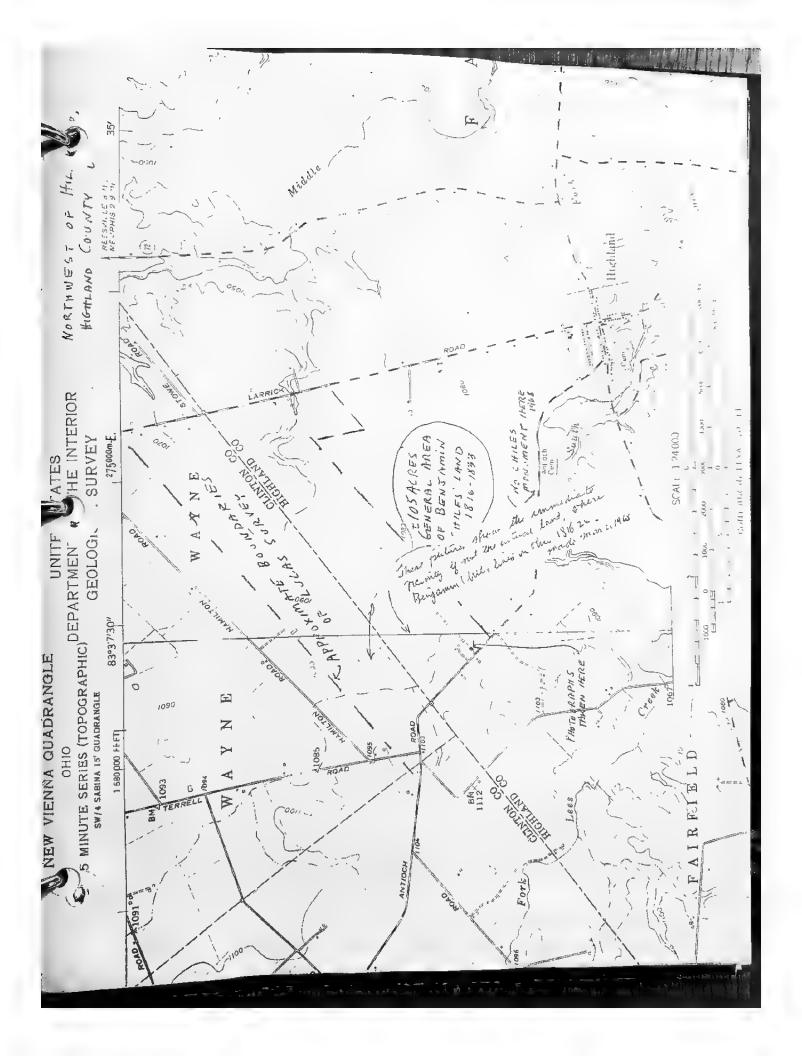
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REMALAN CHILLS AND DESCRIPTINGS

It has thus far not been possible to establish the birthplace and ancestry of BENJAMIN CHILES. He and his children spelled the Stally now chiles; some members of succeeding generations have used the spelling Chilled. Henjacin's groundaughter Mrs. Eleanor Jane (Chiles) Mechan (1839-1925) of Covington, Ry. in 1890 supplied information to the publisher of a Chiles genealogy that Benjamin came from Maryland, was born about 1755, and that his wife's maiden name was Susan Griffin. There are records of soveral men named Benjamin Chiles, Childs, Child, etc. in both Hary and and Virginia in the period. Archives of Arme Arundel County, Moryland, show that a Senjamin Wilds married Susannah Criffith on 27 Key 1786. (It also shows marriages of "Denjowin Chills" in 1781, possibly a first marriage, and in 1818, the Last one certainly not being our Benjamin.) It is tempting to conclude that the 1786 arriage was our Benjamin, especially as his will made in thic on 19 February 1824 speaks of "my beloved wife Susannah Chiles", but some lingering doubt remains. It is by no means ruled out that Banjamin Chiles was a descendant of the Virginian Walter Chiles, ospecially in view of the spalling of the name. The northern families of this name usually spell it CUIDS; a principal early immigrant was Ephraim Child who come to Roxbury, Massachusetts in 1630 accommanded by his nephew Benjamin Child. Descendents of this branch settled generally in the Massachusetts area on down to Baltimore and bolow. Senjamin was a common Christian name in both the Virginia and Maryland families, which adds to the confusion.

The first positive record of our BEWWIN ARRES is that he appears in the Federal Census of 1810 in Frederick County, Virginia, along with his wife, 5 sons, and 4 daughters, whose names are not given. One can and two of the daughters are in age bracket "lo but not 26" and both Benjamin and his wife are shown in age column "46 ups. All those dates and ages are compatible with the postulated birth ente 1755 and the narriage in 1736. In Ohio, Benjamin settled in quaker country, but it is not established that he was or was not a quaker. An Ohio genealogist now deceased listed him in a 1955 DAR publication as a "Revolutionary Soldier who lived in Ohio," but this has not been verified.

Mrs. Eleanor Jane Chiles Meehan wrote that Benjamin had three older brothers, Cornelius, William, and Nathaniel. No details are positively known about them.

Briefly then, Benjamin was born about 1755, definitely was in Troderick County, Va. in 1810 and probably before 1800 (there is no 1800 census for the county). He pushed on to Righland Jounty, this where he bought 165 acres of land for \$600. on 16 Docember on to Righland Jounty, this where he bought 165 acres of land for \$600. on 16 Docember 1816, and took with him there his wife Susannah, sons Stanley (died 1839 unmarried), 1811 am who was alive in 1857, Josephus and Sumuel who 'died young' probably in Chio, William who was alive in 1857, Josephus and Sumuel who 'died young' probably in Chio, William who was alive in 1857, Josephus and John who died unmarried after 1836; ALSO daughters Mordicky or Mordocai (1802-1833), and John who died unmarried after 1836; ALSO daughters Susan, Sarah, Mary, and Nancy, all of when married. Benjamin Chiles died in Highland County, Chio about 1824; his will was probated in 1830; his widow Susannah probably died about that time; the land was sold by sons John and Stanley Chiles 22 February 1836.

Of all those named thus far, I have contacted descendants as follows: an unmarried grandson and a married granddaughter and her two sons, all descended from Mordecal, son of Benjamin.

When he went to Chic in 1816, Benjarin left behind in Virginia sens Griffin and Mason. Mason Chiles lived near Strasburg, Virginia, and a great granddaughter han Mason. Mason Chiles (Mrs. C. H. Spigglo) lives in Strasburg 1968. There are other living Margaret Chiles (Mrs. C. H. Spigglo) lives in Strasburg 1968.

Our encestor GRIFFIN CHILES, a farmer, lived north of Winchester, Virginia. The reletures on the other side of this frame have been copied from various family abuna, principally those belonging to Miss Ridgely Jackson of Winchester, a grand daughter of principally those belonging to Miss Ridgely Jackson of Winchester, a grand daughter of principally those belonging to Miss Ridgely Jackson of Winchester, a grand daughter of principally those balancing wife Super C. Philyson.

LAST WILL AND TESTAMENT OF BENJAMIN CHILES

In the hame of God, Amen, I, Benjamin Chiles of Highland County in the State of Ohio, being sick and weak in body but of sound mind memory and understanding Considering the certainty of death and the uncertainty of time, thereof, and being desirous to settle my worldly affairs and thereby be the better premarke and publish this my last will and testament in manner and form following that is to say —

First and principally I commit my soul into the nameds of almignty God and my body to the earth tobe decently buried at the discretion of my Executrix hereinafter named and after my death and funeral charges are paid I devise and bequeath as follows,

Item first, I give and devise to my beloved wife Susannah Chiles, all my lands thereon I now dwell containing by deed about one hundred and five acres more or less to enjoy the bennefits thereof as long as she lives.

Item second, I give and devise unto my eldest son Stanley Chiles one equal half of all my lands so as to include all the buildings thereof, also one sorrel mare colt and one cow and two sheep.

Them third, I give and devise unto my youngest son John Chiles the other half of my lands and that neather of them shall have any right thereto untill my wife's death Also I give and bequeath to John aforesaid one cow and two sheep -

Item fourth, I give and bequeath to my beloved wife Jusannah aforesaid one waggon and "hind Gur" (?) and two horse creatures to wit, one white and black mare and cow and calf - (end of first page)

Item fourth, I give and bequeath to daughter Salley Chiles two ewes and "lams"

Item fifth, I give and bequeath to my daughter Susan More the wife of William Moore one cow and two swas and lams which he said Susannah has already had -

Item sixth, I give and bequeath unto my youngest daughter Mancy Chiles one cow and three head of sheep -

Item seventh, I give and bequeath to my son William Chiles one sorrell horse which he has already had and to have one yearling at my death -

Item eight I give and bequeath to my son Mason one roan mare which he has already had and the money which he has collected of mine in Virginia and no more of my estate -

Item ninth - I give and bequeath unto my son Griffin one horse provided the said Griffin calls on the estate for it -

Item tenth - I give and bequeath unto my son Mordicky Chiles one horse two head of sheep -

Item eleventh I give and boqueath all the rest and residue of my estate to my belived wife Susannah Chiles as long as she shall live

And lastly I do hereby constitute and appoint my dear wife Jusannah Chiles to be sole Executrix of this my last will and tastament - revenue and annualling all former wills by no heretofore made rately no and office fire this and none other to be to have not not not and restament whereof I in the Chiles have hereunto set my hand and seal this ningteenth of the Table 1824.

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Signed scaled published and declared by Benjamin Chiles the above named testator as and for his last will and testament in the presence of us who at his request and in his presence have subscribed our names as witnesses thereto

Augustus Brown Richard Bloxsom. John Chiles

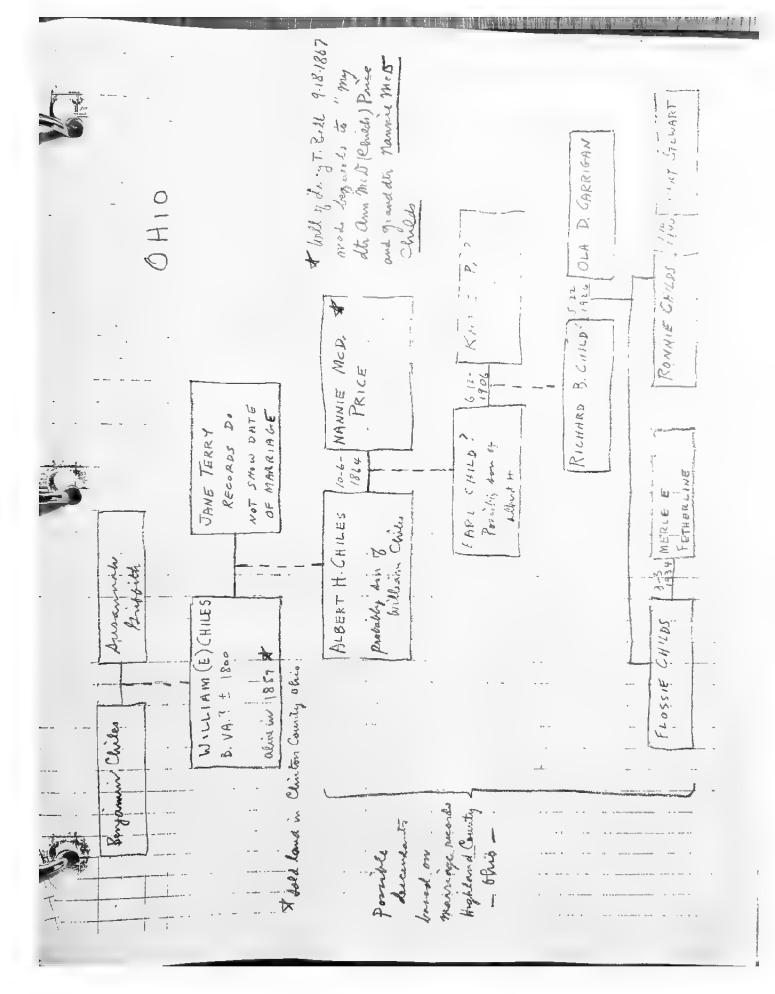
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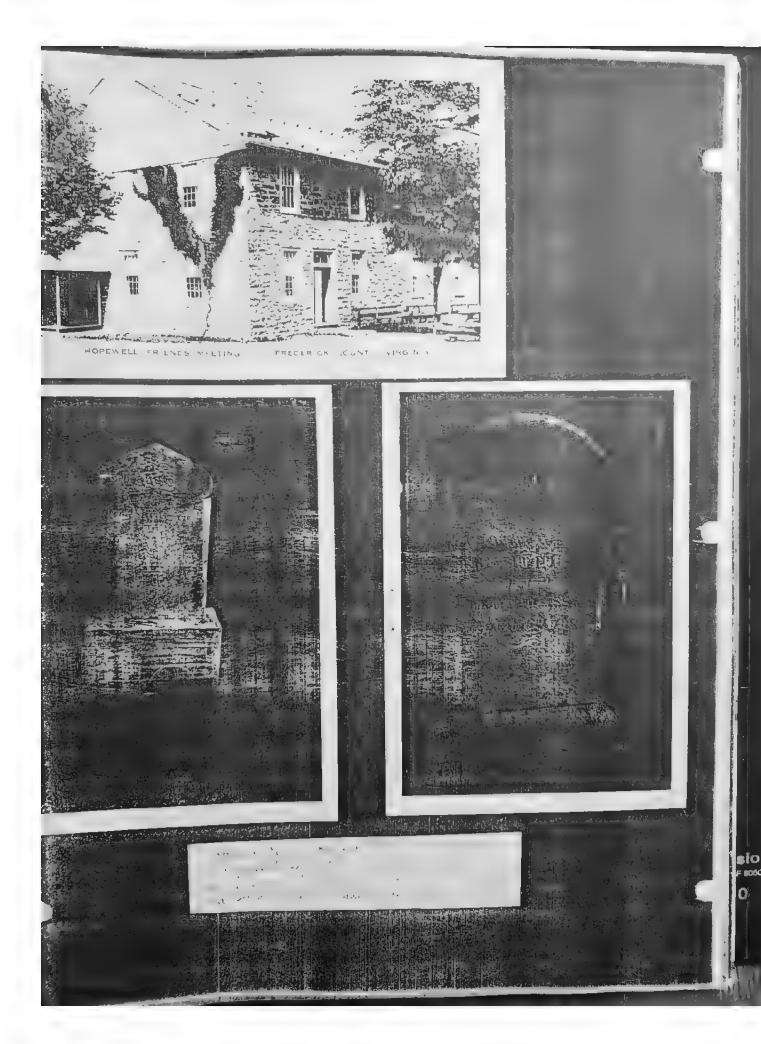
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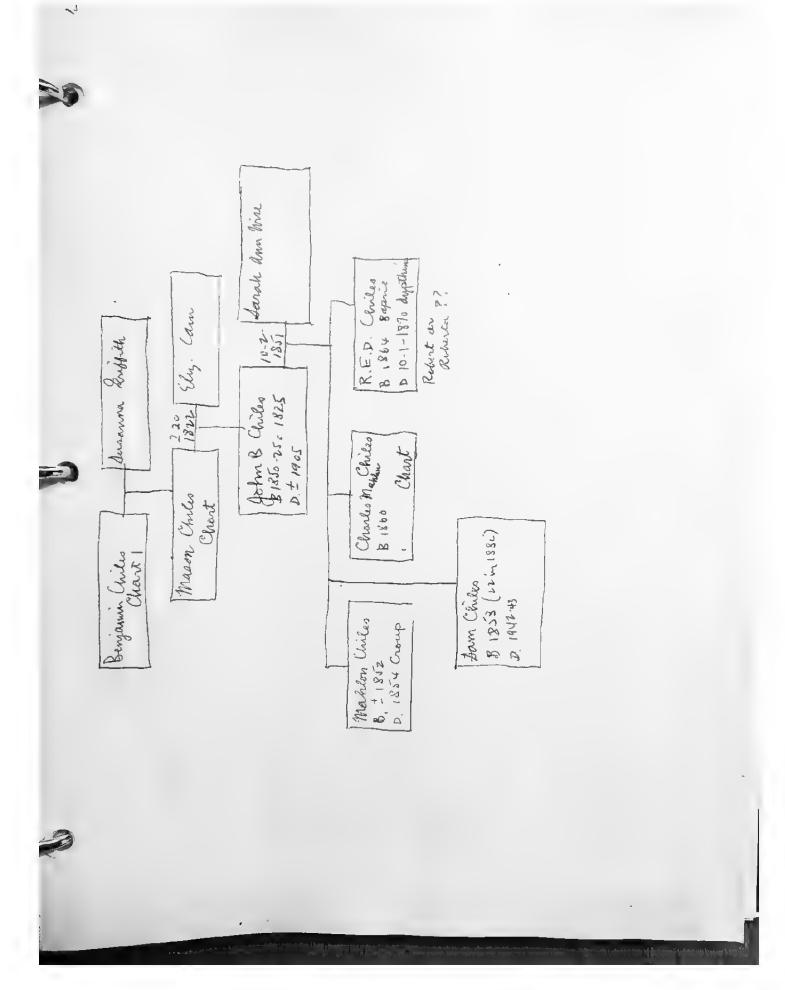


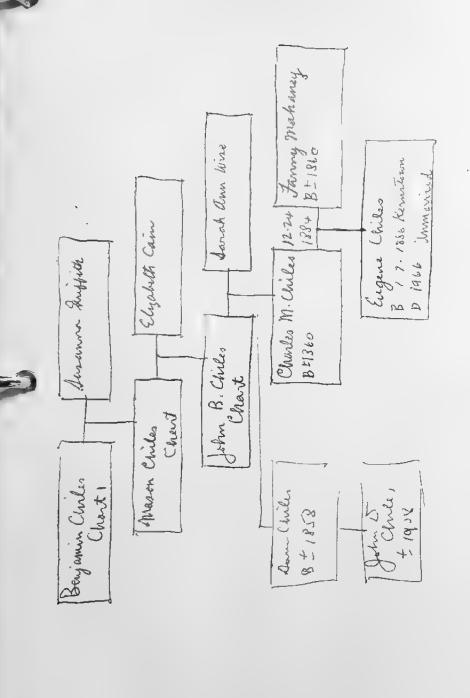


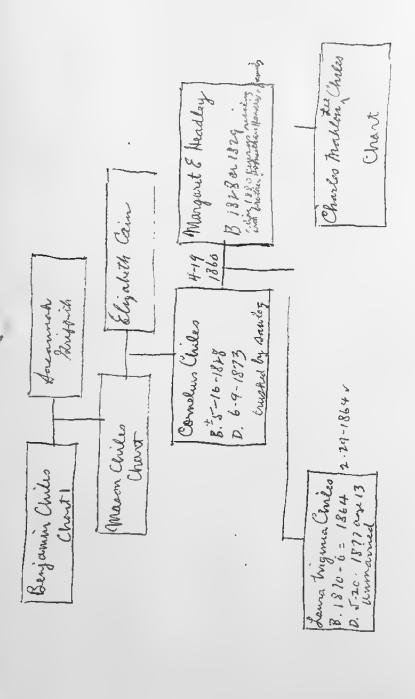
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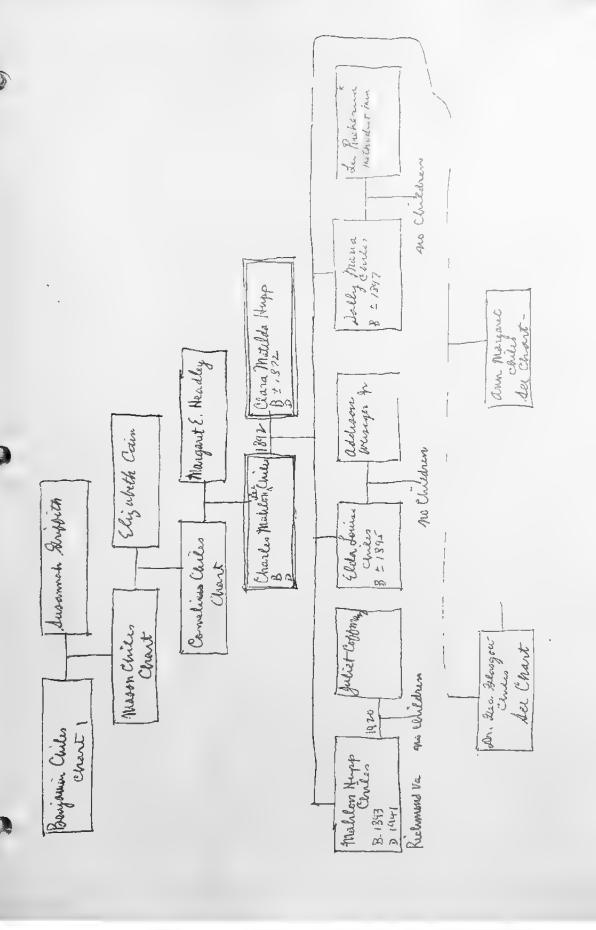


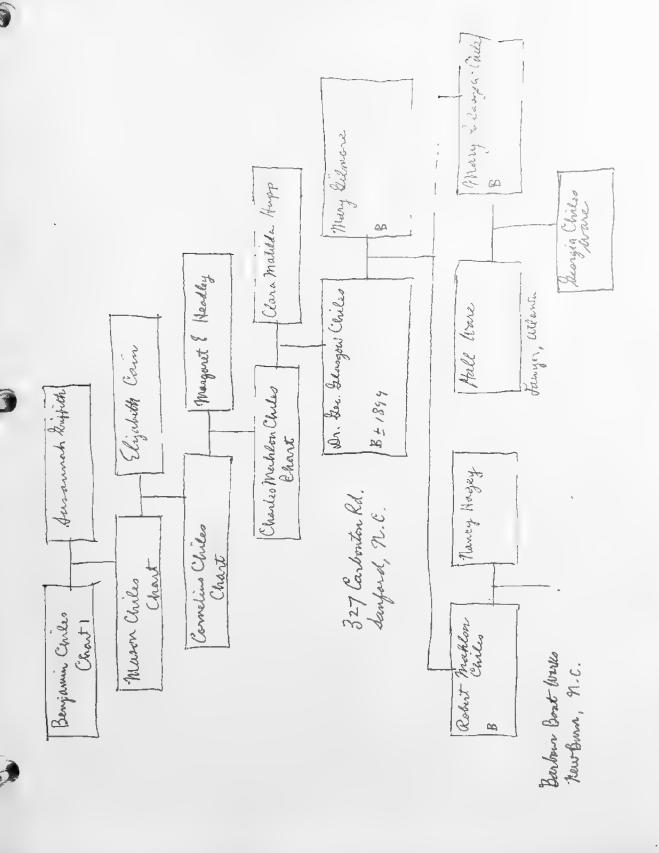
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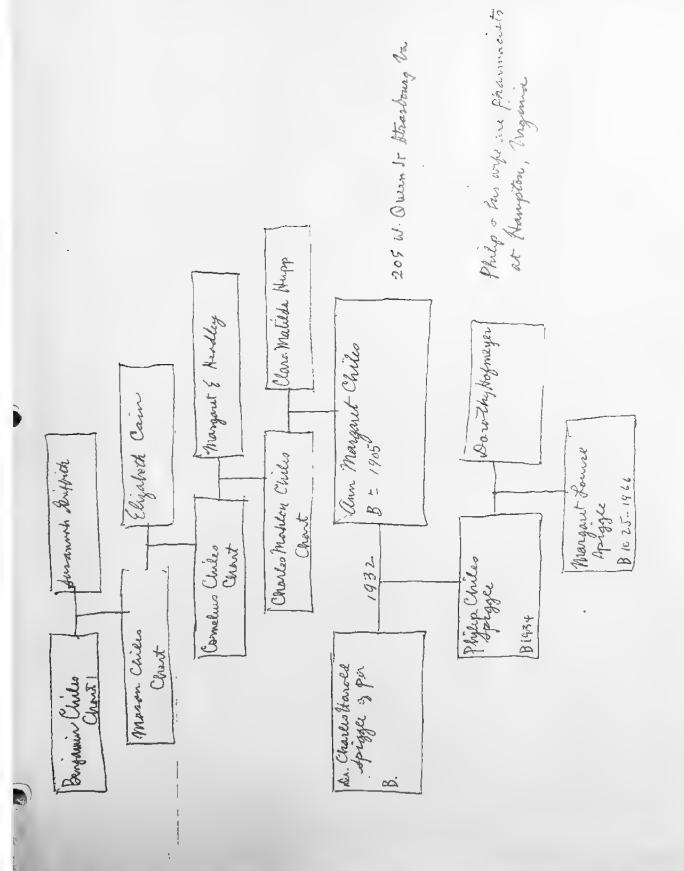


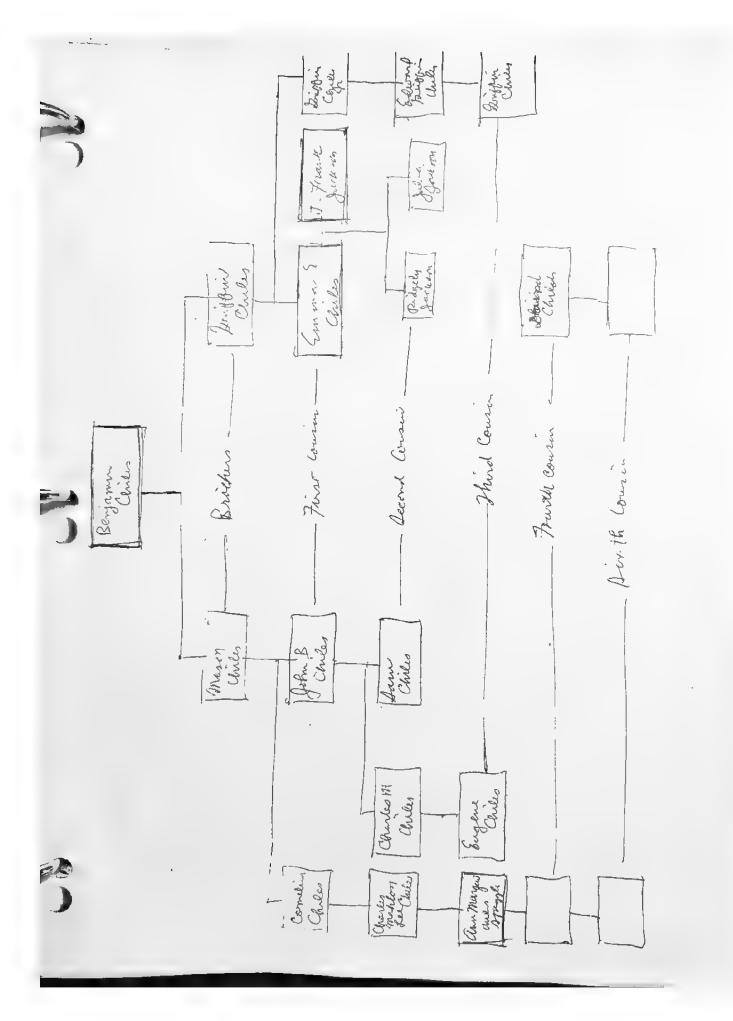


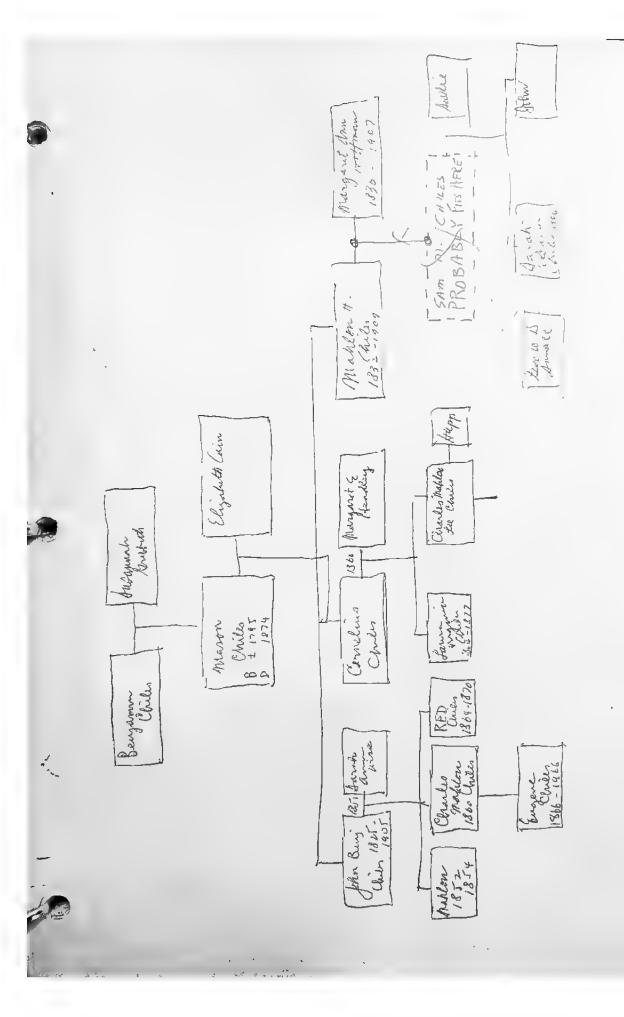












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Asaac Benjamin Childs.

From "West Liberty (clown) Index," 8 aug 1912, Bist

The life of Isaac Benjamin Childs, one of the aldest residents of the vicinity, came to a close early Fresday marning at the house of this thank Dillingham, Fourth Street, west Liberty where he had lived for several years. He was 81 years of age last January and had been in failing health for some time, his years so enjecting him that he could not combat illness.

Hewas born in Frederick County Triginia farmary 26, 1825 and came to clowa in 1853. Shortly after his location in lowa he joined with his trother William and Caleb Elliott, in the operation of a sawmill a shart distance merth of the present town of West Liberty. When he ritized from this work he engaged in forming, continuing this until coming to west Liberty in October of 1907.

Junkin and to them one daughter, Mary, was born. The tripe died many years ago and the daughter's death ascurred a few days after she and her father had moved to town. One brother in slepere, biscousin and 2 sisters in Winchester, Wiginia, are left.





Thuffen Chales In. Third Chied, Second son, of Shiffin Chiles and May ain Cole chas barn rear winchester, ta. & march 1829. He went to Lupas before the Civil War, where about 1860 he married Pauline Julia Bohne, a nature of Prursice who had emograted to Juxas with his father and one as more sisters. They were Married and resided in Huntsville, Levas. On 20 march 1862 he entisted in Company A, 2157 Lexas Cavalry, Parsons Porigade, CSA Notion, according to his enlestment papers in the national archives, washington DC, he was 33 years old, traveled 65 miles to rendezoous, had an was issued a horse valued \$140 and equipment \$ 35, and continted for 3 years on the war. The was a carpenter and cabinet maker by trade, and in the home of the late Drury Cleringer (chart 25) who was a nephow of Suppor Chiles frequesiding at bourhester, In. there is a small table or stand on which is written, on the side of a drawer "This was made by Krifgin Chiles" National Orchines are copies of his pay recards as murter roll ang 3 1862 to Feb. 28 1863 and lept and Oct 1863. He appears on a confederate army report of "arteriors in the Command " as a carpenter, the report being dated " Near Caddo, arkansas; 13 oct 1963. These reports are found on Microfilm Rule 110 of the confederate military records in the archives. I have one of his litters to his wife "My dear Pauline" dated " Camp near Bayon de Glass, La. May the 20 5 1864, as follows:

When I last wrote to you we were near Alexandria (La). That night be get news that the enemy had or was leaving the town. We in and went within 2 miles and camped for the might. Next morning we took up our him of march and at 10 we come to their fort, the place they tried to get us to run them in to. We met the good secesh ladies of Alexandria who come but to meet us they brought us something to last there was a brig hotel that a french man took us in. I left my home with one of our Conyung with the promise to divide what I get. I went into a little room and he had plenty of good yanky whiskey it took a drive and took him one, my home holder. I went to the diving room and found plenty

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anything. We lift town and come up with the rear grand of the sense with the rear grand of the sense of miles and pitched into them and fought them for 7 miles and then we camped for the night. Must day we wore reinforced by the balance of our brigade and every day since then we have been fighting them. Yesterday was the hardest fought battle that our regiment has ever been engaged in . We had about 7000 men and the Yankys 20000. The fight opened by purt of the 21st and part of the 19th charging the enemy camp at L.J. Was on picket the night

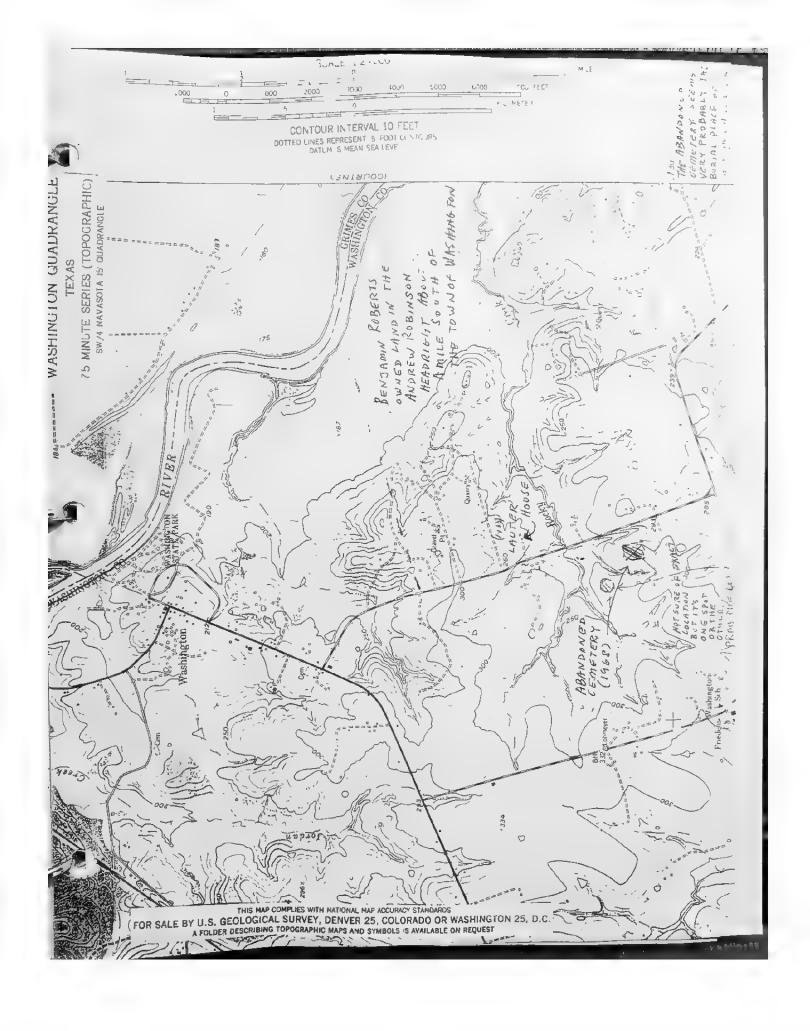
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parties drew off willing its quit. Joday about 50 yankays have been bried and about the same number of our men but several hundred must

: Anspirlailes, In: --3have been wounded on both sides. Col. Parsons regionent has supposed severely. The enemy gut were perisoners than we did. The yanky ambulances were Carrying of their wounded all night This marning Their pickets can be seen from the battlefild but they are shipping their men down the bayon, I learn't that the fight is over and that we will go and recruit our horses which need them and men too. Capt. Weir of the 12th was killed, the one that was in Command at Hempstead. dell Ed I got him a knife and will head it to him (one line illegible) my fones that he done well not to be with us on this trip, the dust and smoke and sun was enough to wear out the best of constitutions. This is the second day that we have not been ruding since I left home, yet got on the same clothes that I started from home in, once it took of my shirt and "draws" and washes them and dry them by the fire and I got one letter from you I am not alone in that respect. - - and 2 items . I will write the first Chance . Fell augusta that I will write to her and John soon as we get in camp again. Ichiles Explorer from a letter Huntsville Fixus Clet 9 1865 from widow of Briggin Chiles In to his sister Lusan Chiles (later Mrs C. E. (linenger): "My darling tester bue, It most breaks my heart to tell you, he died the 10th of July 1864. He Joined the army in april 1862, left me and one little boy 6 months old, went to arkansas the 12th of May and did not return until the 8th of January 1864, Then he stayed at home until March when he went to Roussiana where they had hard fighting, they love in 21 different engagements and Supered a great deal from exposure, he came very near getting killed once or twice. They stayed there antil the last of June. Mr. Chiles was not very well, had two or three chills - Then they were ordered to Hempstand . Texos to rest. all came by home to stay a few days. He got home

on the 3rd of July and lept on the 5th was not very well. I begged hard for him to stay but he was so faithful he said as (





Larpon Chiles g. - 4long as he was able he must be at his post when he got to Hempstead he had another Chill; they stayed there a few days and then started home. He comprained some but thought he could get here, he rode all day and stopped at the rest town, Washington (Zexas) Where he stopped to stay all night not being able to travel longer. He stopped with a Mr Roberts, that was Friday night the 8th. The next marning he wanted to Start home early, by hard riding he would get home at night, but m. Roberts told him he was not able to go, to wait and see if he had another chill, He soon took s very sieve and did not speak another ward, but supposed until Gunday evening at 5 aclock, Sunday at 12 M. Roberts from the grane yard where they had lift all that was nearer and deaver to me than all on earth. O, merenjul go had, there never was grief like that on earth and I prayed for his help to bear it but it seemed too much to stand . I & Only saw the place where he had lain, and then his & dear grane, how I did wish to stay by it I never shall borget. (four) aspectionate sister, . P. J. Chiles My father who was only about 4 when his father died, all \$ 3 his life wanted to find his bather's grave but sever did manage to & do to. In March 1968 I went to the country courthouse at 3 \$ Brenham, Texas and found that Benjamin Roberts owned land f in the headight of Andrew Robinson" about a mile south of the old town of washington (now "washington-on-the Brogers State Park, site of the cupital of the Republic of Lexas). There was no Roberts I stone in the present town cemetery or one just west of it, howard If it the postmaster suggested an abandoned cemetery on the land of a Mr. Lanter. Mr. Lanter took me to this place, a quiet spot is in one of his fields, with a few ald granestones mostly illegiale with beehires and soft lyed cows & calves all around, anxious 3 to be fed. This corneting was never to the Benjamin Roberts place than any other, and from what I know of the circumstances at the time, this seemed the right place to me. I lest there with a seure of fulfillment, that acting for my father I had visited his grane father's grane at last. R.P. Enjour Culia

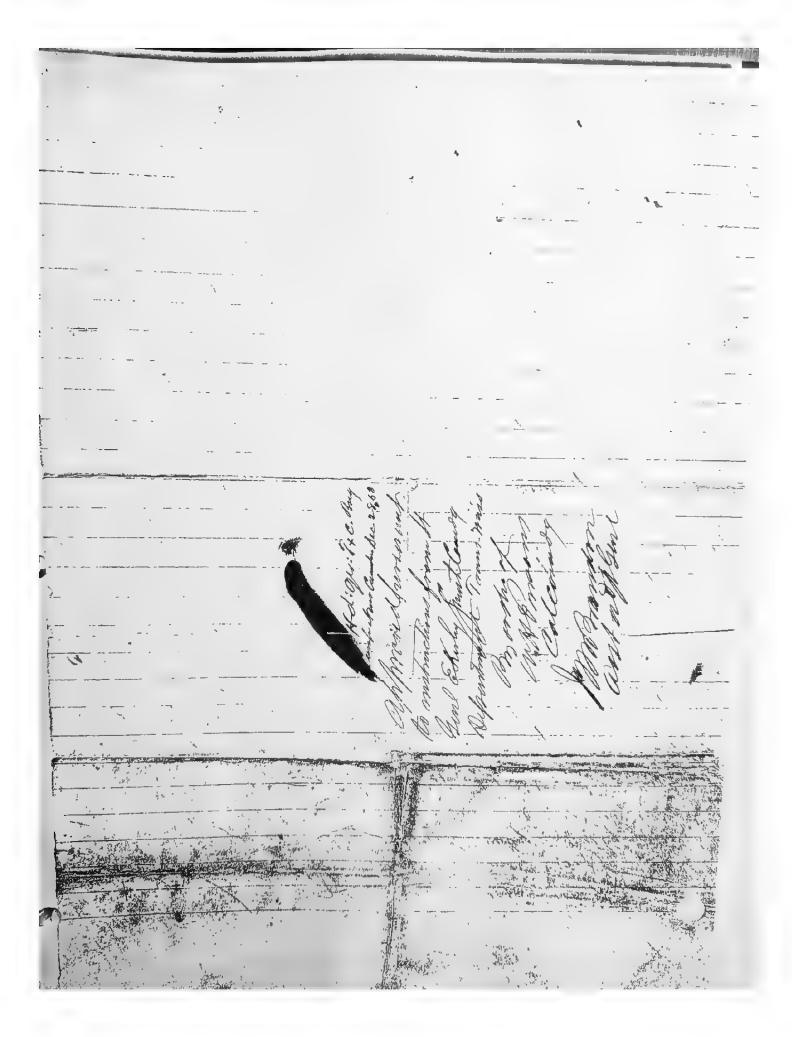
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William Ridgely Childs

Obituary in "Wapsie Index", West Libertz, clown, June 20, 1884. Fist

unspecified nature, and several years ill health.

Born in Frederick County, Virginia, Sept 1, 1831,

tohere raised to manhood, learning the trade of machine
blacksmith in the town of Winchester. In 1854 he came to

lown and settled in this vicinity, where he has resided Continuously

ever since, having been an active business man, well and widely

known for a number of years as a member of the firm of

Brans, Childs & Co.

In his death the community has lost a good and public spirited citizen, the Masonic fraternity a faithful and true brother, his family a kind and indulgent husband and father, and his friends true and stead-fast friend. The funnal will be from his late residence at 10 oclose or Laturday."



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Depere, Urise Journal - Democrat, Thursday 1 May 1919 Birt

James W. Chieds died 28 April at 85 years 2 months, Deperes oldest living netered merchant. He fell Thursday 24 april on the parch of his late home in Milwankee and Suppered a. Compound fracture of the hijs. Funeral bedresday to april, Olepere Lodge F. + Am no. 65, Dreenwood Cemitery.

Immediate family at funeal: Charles a. Chiess of Megaunee, Michigan Fillian Chiedo a Milwankee Mrs. James W. Chies

He leaves: Widow and 4 children,
Charles of Regaunes mich
Ellen Virginia of Denver, Colorado
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James W. Childs was one of Superos oldest and most respected Extragens. He was the personipleation of trongety and integrity. He was the personipleation of trongety and integrity. He was born Jeb. 20 1834 in frederick Courty, Inginea. At was there on his fathers farm until he was 20 years and and their went into a stone as clerk in Stanton, the and was there about the time boodrow Wilson, now Premident chas a resident of that city. After 2 years work in the store he went to york, Pa. to a commercial college. After completely his course the was made progession of Sook keeping. After serving sex ments in this capacity he resigned because of an insufficient number of paydays. The then went to Chango to seek employment as on accountant. After two days anxions beside he found a smerchant Mr. Kelsey, from Depare, who would assistance in that line Mr. Kelsey paid his fare to Depare, arrows here or May 6, 13-7, 62 years ago.

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He afterward engaged in the Mercantile business here is all combuted a successful store for many years with

James Wilsenson Childs. Concluded

he retired: Mr Chills had lived here ever since coming to Depere. He and Mrs Childs lift the city only a few months ago to take up their readence with a daughter, Miss Lillian Chiess, of Milwaukee, as Mr. Childs health was becoming expectled and he needed where care and attention than could be given him here.

He was one of the oldest Masons in the State, having goined the Depure lodge in July 1864.

He was President of the Difflorge of Alepure Board at one time in the early 1870's and had been.

previous to that time a member of the Board. He served 12 years as a member of the Depure School Board being one of its earlier presidents. He also served as assessor for the last side for a term.

His was a clean, temperate life, above reproach. He was loved and respected by his family, associate, and friends.

James W Childs Depere bisc Journal - Democrat, may 2, 1946 died Luddenly at his home about four o'clock Monday afternoon, wire be held this afternoon at 2:30 from the Prestytenan Church.

Mr. Childs was born in Depere nov 22, 1891. Aon of the late Mr. + Mrs. Charles a. Childs and grandson of the late My Mis James Wilkinson Childs, well known prioneer residents. He was graduated from Johnming Mich high school and later attended the University of Chicago and Carroll College, He was owner and manager of the Childs Chemical Company of depere, which he operated for the past 20 years. The only immediate Survivor is his widow the former Eddes (Edda?) Noth whom he married Mr. Childs had been ill about 3 weeks and had just returned from the business district, a few blocks from his home, when he suffered a heart attack which proved fatal.

Charles a. Childs defere Journal . Democrat May 3 1934 (biscomin) gist "Charles a Childs, 72, a member of one of Slepenes proneer families and well known throughout this section, passed away at a Screen Boy hospital finday morning following a long illness with a complication of diseases. He was the son of Mer Mis James Wilkinson Childs, was born in Depene July 29 186, and opent his life here and en upper michigan Managing Stores in Several cities. . His mother was a daughter of Dr. a. B. Williams and . made three trys to California in the days of the Kald Purch With other tarty niners when the long land trip was made . by ox-cart. The Williams Jamily Located in Placewille then called Hangtown, Culifornia. Dr. Williams came here from navos, Illinois, originally a settlement of the Marmons under Smith, after he had been threatened with others who refused to join the new sect. Mr. Childs received his education in the public selvols of defere and was graduated from the high school. Ac afterwards attended the Threen Bay business College and then entered the mercantile business the was Unawager of the Edward Erickson Department Store of Escando (Mich), then Selwood's store at Ishpening, and other stores in the northern country. For the last 8 years he had been advertising writer and aridoro decorator with her Brothers Company. Swaring are his wife, son James W., and a sister Miss Lillian Childs, Denver, Colorado.





John Alexander Childs

A letter from John Alexander Childs dated Sept. 16, 1866

to his sister-in-law about the direct of his brother Brigger Chiles In

"To Julia Childs. Dear histor,

I will try and write you a few lines though never harmy had the pleasure of suring you I feel at a loss almost how to write on what to write. I do not remember whether I ever wrote to Bro Broth after to and you were married or not (that does not matter) I feel as if I were writing to you all us of old, but also when I pains and reflect, when I remember the many pleasant times we have spent around the old homestead when I remember when he left us full of hope and energthing seemed bright and clear, no cloud then seemed to hang over his path and seemed . Wright in the future, then I have to remember he is no more, I fiel like crying out O God what have we done that we should have been traited thus, but God's ways are not as our ways, So we have to say, they will be done. I had hoped the good Ford had spared our family, that four years of war had left as without the loss of one member, but when the news of Bro Brigains death came, alas for us we have only now to mown our loss, but we only gray our loss is his gain. I was at forther's last week, they were all well and had just received a letter from you and with it to briffin's picture. nother told me when I wrote to you to let you know they had come safe

They send their love to you and Eddy.

Brother fames paid us a flying visit the first of this

present month & stayed one week and returned. I received a

letter from him after he () to newyork, he is home before now.

The weather is very cool here, frost last night though

not pery heavy. Write to us, I will have to close thus (-)

Mary sends her love. We have two children Willie and

maggae, they send their love to Eddy. From your brother

John a. Childa CHILES

Margaret Lee Childs (Maggie)

An obituary notice from the Wapsie Index, weer Liberty, clown

Friday June 20. 1884, reported the death of Margaret Lee Childs at

the home of her father John A. Childs Clarke County, Nr. June 10th - age 2175,

noting she was a pupil in West Liberty Perfect schools for some

months while Visiting her uncle bom. R. chieso about 5 years before.

"a diligent student, a friend to encybody, kindhearted, amiable, and

affectionate." Full dext under this sheet.

Margaret Lee Childs (Maggie)

Obituary from The Wapsie Index, West Libertz, Lowa,

Friday 20 June 1884.

Childs in Clarke County, Trymia, Maggie a. Childs, aged 21 years.

There are many young people in West Liberty and recently who will remember her as an associate and propil with them in our public schools some 5 years ago, when she was for some months a member of the family of her uncle, William R. Childs. The was a diligent student a friend to encrybody, kind-hearted amease, and appectionate, and we reget exceedingly to be called upon to chronicle her writinely death.



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- and as it will be quite a novelty for her to travel across The wide and extended plains we have co cluded for her to go as far as Salt Lake lit of the remain while I make the northern trip. now i vis not write much about this trip, feeling assured that it will prove a grand and prophitable trip. I am going to load with Dea, Coppee. Tobacco + some clothing. now to show the profits I will state that ten will cost me 65 \$ per lb, here and in Sact Lake 30 days route for teams it sells at fine dollars per lb. and in Montana a distance of four hundred mules farther it is 8 and 10 \$ for the same Mind of tea. Now I expect to have about \$4000 moested and will at the lowest realize three tures that amount at the end of my Journey. Ufter receiving this letter all our letters must be directed to Salt Lane City, Utah Ferritory. Our healths are pretty good now. Sallie has had a serious time since the birth of our darling son. She caught cold after he was a month old but now I think she is all right, at least the plains will restore her to perfect heaven, Our own little son is as bright - pretty as you ever saw a little fellow-of 3 months Our only fear is that he is too dear to us that he will be taken from us. We received today a letter from aunt Sarah with her photo also letters from little Lizzie x Becky Pidgeon, one from Mrs. Woode, how glad we are to get letters from our dear friends. They told us of Charley + France's arrival how I would like to hear from them. aunt Larah mentioned that they had sent us a paper we have not received a paper yet? Hoping soon to hear from all I will close with both our love to all, mother, Emma, Becky, Joe, Tellie, Charley, Benj + in fact all, from your affectionate son, T. W. Childs



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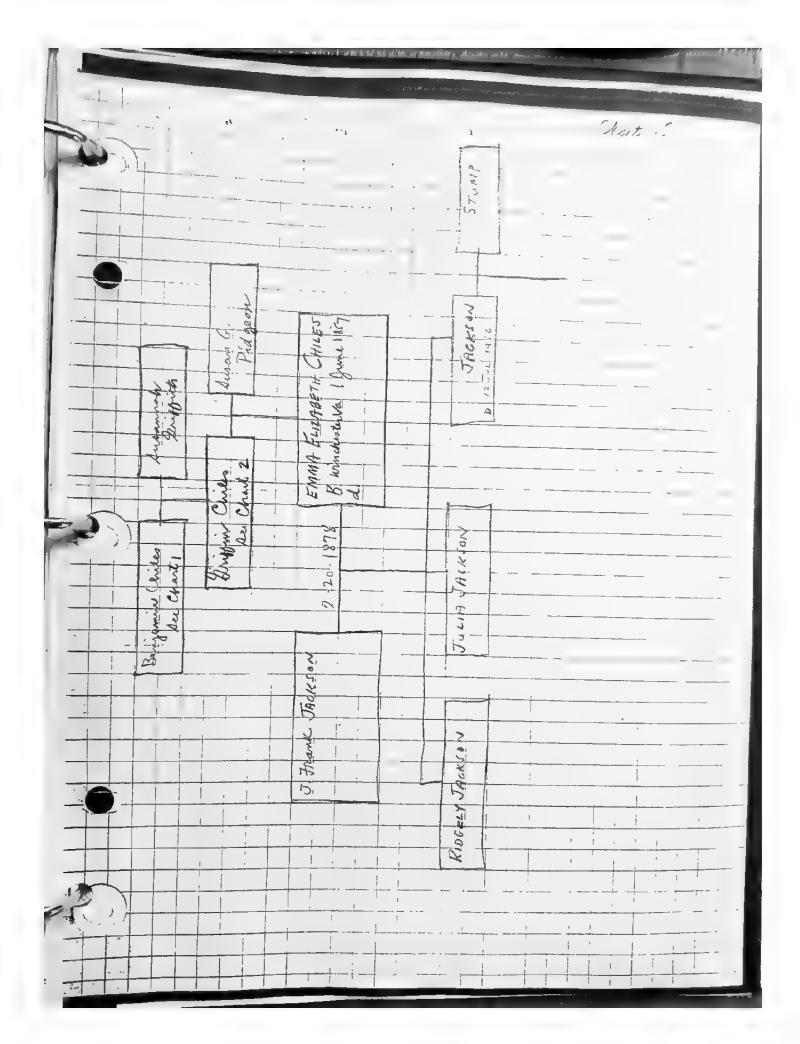
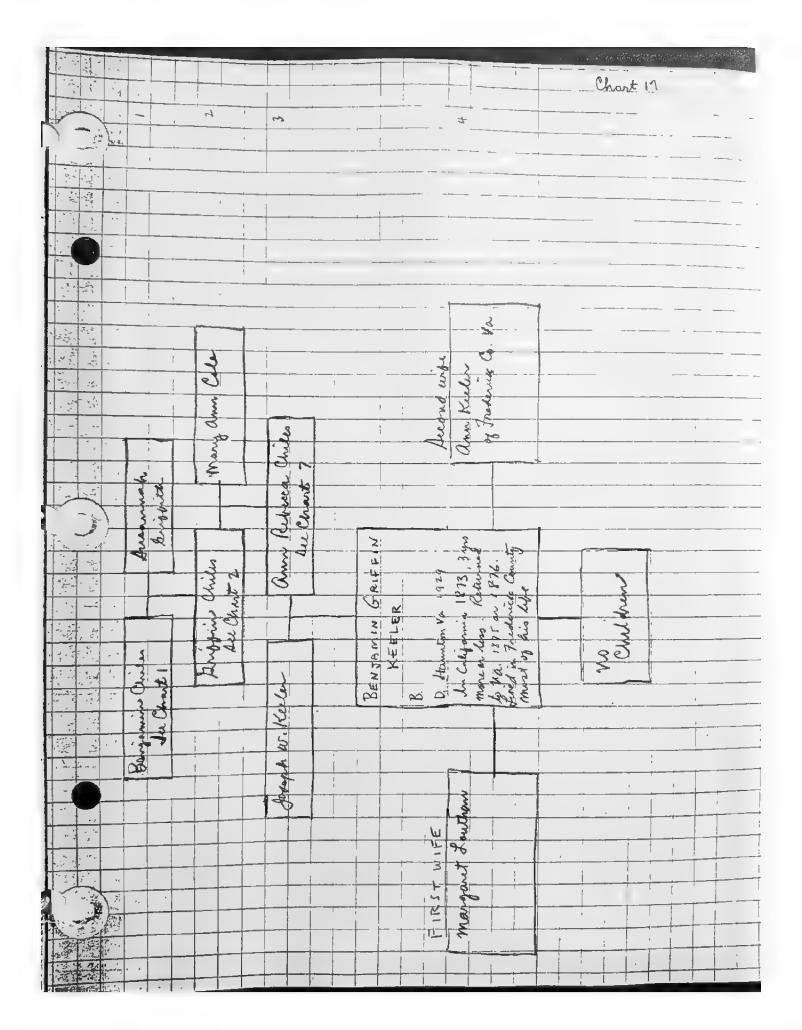


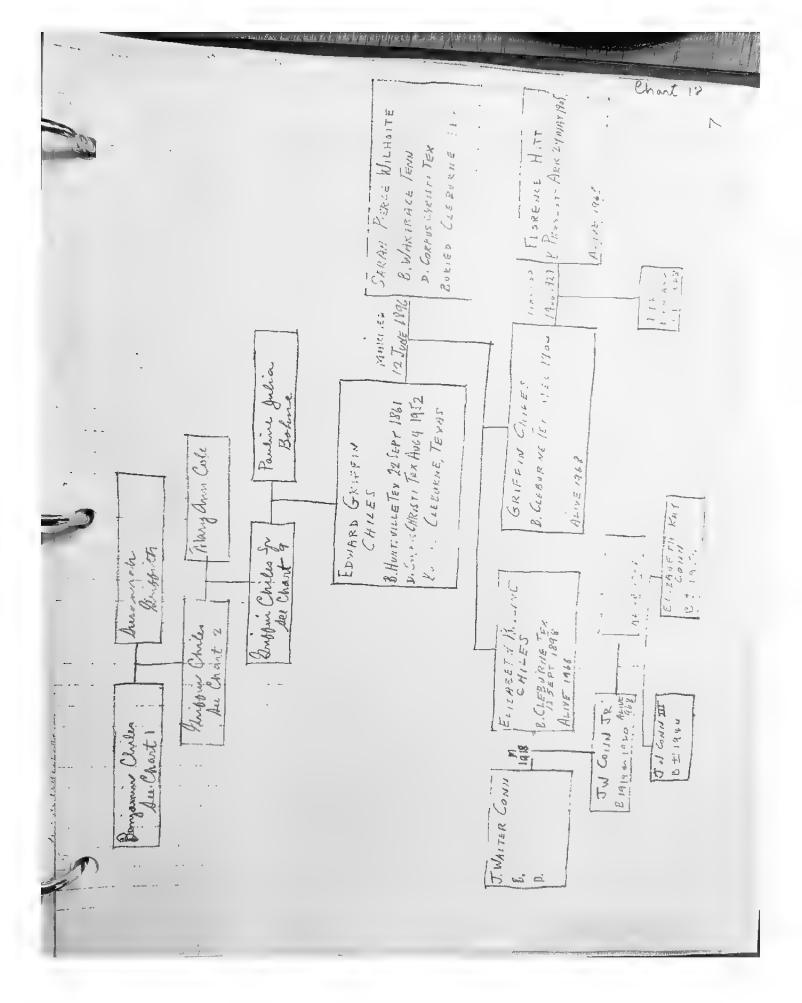


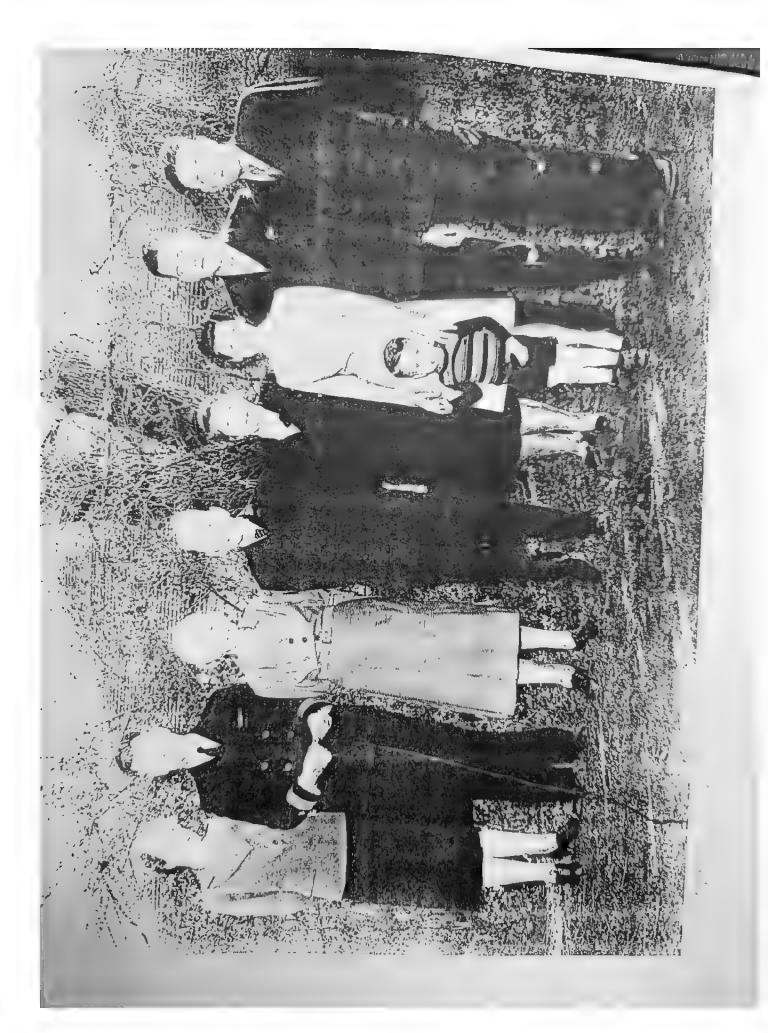
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Edward Lingoin Chiles

Born at Hunteville Jeras 22 dept 1861. Originally named fathers death on 10 fully 1864, and the death of an impant brother with a house, and for some years supported herself and son by sewing, and by renting part of the house. She at one time was given Confederate saldier; it was in last Jeras and probably may valuable today but she was forced to let it be sold for non-payment of taxes.

About 1880, the mod my father moved to Clebame, Texas, for some unscrown reason. My father went to some kind of academy in weatherford, Jusas, pertably a bart of commercial college, and spent most of his working years as a book keeper. About 1917-1929 he was in the wood of coal business at cleburne and did fairly well, but this dried up when return gas became avoid the troop. He worked a little longer, then he and mother load with Herence o myself for a few years, then in a brack house at arlington, Jusas. About 1947 or so he slipped on the ice and broke his thingh, which was successfully prinned based together and he was ambulatary for several more years. After that injury he and my mother load with my sister.

Mas Corn in Corpors Christi Jexas, where mother died in 1950 and Dad in 1952. Both were buried in their family plot in the Cleburne, Jexas, curetry.

My swother was born in Wartrace, Jennessee, had 2 brathers who we telegraph operators, and 2 sisters. Her mothers made name was Sarah Elizabeth Norwell dtr of 8 dward MB norwell and Jerusha arnola. Her pather was T. F. Wilhoits, son of Prince Wilhoite and Hatti Burrughe My father was a Roystist deacon (1so Baptist Church, Clebume, Jexas) for many years and both he and my mother were deeply religious. I have alliang Considered and respected my father as the most scrupulously honer man I have no known. As far as I know he only took one drive in two life and it was prescribed by a doctor; on second thought this may have been my mother, but anyway there was only one drive for the two of them.

I wish I had been a more counderate son while I had



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Harold M. Childs From West Liberty, clows, Index, Hunday 16 January 1941. Firt of abituary. "Harold M. Childs, alder son of William R. and Elizabeth Ellrott Childs, was born in west Liberty Feb. 5, 1863, and died evening of January 9 at Mercy Hospital, clowa City, where he had been for the previous closen months. He attended the west Liberty schools and in early boyhood became keenly interested in horses while associated with his uncle, the late Eli- Elliott, cattle and horse dealer and importer of Shitland ponies. Mr. Childs left West Leberty in 1836 to engage in the training of fine trotting horses, a work he followed until his retirement 9 years ago, when he returned to West Liberty. To him a shoroughbred horse was a dignified creation which demanded the best he had to give, and he never was satisfied until assured that every effort hand been made to bring out every prosubility the animal possessed. Harald Childs passed away with the personal Satisfaction of having reached a position at the very top of his profession, and his name will be long remembered as one of the alltime greats. (etc) He was reared in the Quaker faith and was respected by everyone for his outstanding Character. Mr Childs never married and his surviving relateres are his nephew and namesake Harold S. Childs and a cousin Emory L. Webb. During Typas Mr. Childs was connected with the Ben I. White training stables at Lexington, Ky. and Orlands, Ilu, he trained and developed three Hambletonian Ly "marvin childs" 1927, 2.03 2) and main Mc Elwyn ().

Herbert Russell Childs From West Liberty, lowa, Index 7 Jan 1932. Dist. "Herbert Russell Childs was born in West Liberty, clown, ang 31, 1868, the younger son of William R. and Elizabeth Elliatt Chies, who were identified with the earlier history of this Community. His birthplace on Calhoun Street remained the family home for many years and still is sporen of as "the Childs property." Herbert, known familiarly to everyone here as "Bert" attended the West Liberty Schools and completed his education at Fredericschurg, Tragmia He returned at once to West Liberty, where he intered the employ of the Rock Island Railroad Company December 28, 1889, remaining in this service until broken health compelled his reterement a little mere Than 2 weeks ago. His marriage with This Margaret a. Sellers took place at the bellers home in Moulton, clowa now. 11, 1908. The son, Harold, was born to them, who survives with his mother. brother, Harold, of Lexongton, Ky, also survives. The parents and a baby sister preceded him in . In his 42 years of serince with the . Kou Island Co. he had filled practically all of the positions, but for 30 years had been at his post as cashier. Thember of Christian Church, also Mt. Calvary Lodge, Leberty Chapter, and Swafford . Council of the Masonic Brotherhood, also Brotherhood of Kailway Clerks."

3 Circle Drive Florence, Kentucky May 1, 1956

Dear Commander Chiles:-

Your letter of the 25th was received and enjoyably read by all members of my family. The wealth of detail which you have assembled is really great. I concur with you that this sort of thing can grow into a fascinating hobby.

From your personal history which you have in your last letter I learned that you and my uncle are just about the same age. Also, was glad to hear that you have some railroad blood in your veins. Quite a few of my relatives were railroaders, Grandpa Childs included, and I, myself, am at present the Chief Clerk to the Coal Freight Agent for the Nickel Plate Railroad, in an off-line office of that railroad located in offices in Cincinnati, Ohio. If you are like the typical Childs I believe that you shape up like this: Height: 5' 9" tall, about 155 pounds, slightly balding, brown hair, brown eyes, and a healthy appetite. Tell me how close I came. Maybe you are not like the average. I used my uncle and my mother as the basis for the above description.

I am 27 years of age, 6 feet tall, 185 pounds, have black hair and brown eyes. Have been married almost 5 years, and have no children to date. Own my home at Florence, about 10 miles from Covington, Ky. Served in the Army and came out of the service as a sergeant, after 37 months. Have been working for the Nickel Plate for two years and plan to make railroading my career.

We have been having lousy weather down here for the last three weeks — so cloudy that I can't hope to get some good pictures of the tombstones, or of my uncle and mother to send you until it clears up. However, if you will bear with me I assure you that they will be sent your way as soon as the weather permits clear sharp pictures. For the time being, I am sending you this letter to fill in on a few details of the Meehan and Child's family which lived in this area.

JAMES MEEHAN 1833 - 1908 ELEANOR CHILD'S MEEHAN 1839 - 1925

Married in February, 1859

and produced the following children in order of birthdate:

- 1. Robert E. Lee Meehan
- 2. Augustus Farnsworth Meehan
- 3. Grace Meehan
- 4. Betty Meehan

- 5. Lucy Meehan
- 6. Sallie Meehan
- 7. Willie Meehan
- 8. Sarah Meehan
- 9. Gertrude Meehan
- 10. Mary Meehan

A quick resume of the information I have been able to obtain from various sources concerning this family is as follows:

JAMES MEEHAN: 1833-1908, A short stocky man, who looked very much like Teddy Roosevelt. Jarned his living in early life as a mechanic for the Southern Railway in Luclow, My. Later left this company and removed to Mexico, where he discovered a great copper deposit. Later sold out to copper interests and left Mexico worth in the hundreds of thousands of dollars. Became, with his wife, a world traveler. Died in 1908 a very wealthy man and left his estate to his wife and children.

ELEANOR CHILD'S MEEHAN: 1839-1925. Was daughter of Mordecai Childs; married James Meehan in 1959. Was a cultured and educated woman, interested herself in history, travel, and writing. Wrote several books. History of the Childs family was one of her favorite pastimes. In her later years she lived on a vast estate near Covington. (Fort Mitchell, Ky.) had a home containing approximately 30 rooms. It was of pre Civil War design, and is still in use today, as beautiful today as it was in her day. One of her books was entitled Memories of a Red Letter Summer, copyright 1903, press of the Robert Clarke Co., Cincinnati, Ohio. We have a copy of this book, and it is all about her travels throughout the world, and contains several pictures of the family, i.e. James Meehan, herself, and daughter Grace, or Gertrude - I am not sure which of the two.

The Children

- 1. Robert E. Lee Meehan. Born during the Civil War and named after the Confederate general of that name. Worked for the Southern Railway for many years. After the founding of Meehan Industries he worked as their sales manager until his death in 1924.
- 2. Augustus (Gus) Farnsworth Meehan. Graduated from Harvard University. Chemist. Found method to be used in creating stainless steel, which process has been named Meehanite metal. Became President of the Meehan Industries with offices in Chattanooga and Atlanta. (unmarried)
- 3. Grace Meehan. Married Ed Read of Covington, Ky. Divorced. Later married Paul Hagemeyer, president of Tennessee Lumber Co. Had one son, Lee Read, who is now living with relatives in California. Lee is the person to whom most of the wealth of the Meehan family was left. Also, he may have all the scrap books and papers collected by Eleanor Childs Meehan. Don't know exactly where in California that he is living.

- 4. Betty Meehan. Married Dr. Rolf, a dentist of Cincinnati, Ohio. Had
- 5. Lucy Meehan. Married Edward Brookfield and had one son. This son was killed in later years in a private plane crash in 1940's.
- Sallie Meehan. Died at young age.
- 7. Willie Meehan. Died young.
- 8. Sarah Meehan. Nothing known, but believed to have died young.
- 9. Gertrude Meehan. Married Milburn Green, wice president of the Pennsylvania Railroad. Was living in California last report now probably has died. Lee Read, son of Grace Meehan was living with her at last report. She is the only one of the ten Meelan children whose tombstone could not be found in the Meenan family plot at St. Marys Cemetery.
- 10. Mary Meehan. Born in 1879. Nothing else known. Now dead.

The Meehan plot is marked by a huge monument, approximately 30 feet tall. Individual head markers are on each of the graves. No dates were on most of the markers - just the first names of each of the children.

The Mechans that you found in the directory living on East 21st Street are no kin to this family of Mechans.

To fill you in on the two daughters of Preston Childs, son of Mordecai, we have found the following information:

Mary Childs. Daughter of Preston Childs, born in 1867, married Mr. Ed. Henderson of Covington, Ky. Had two sons; Richard, now dead, and Orville, believed to be living in Ashville, N. C.

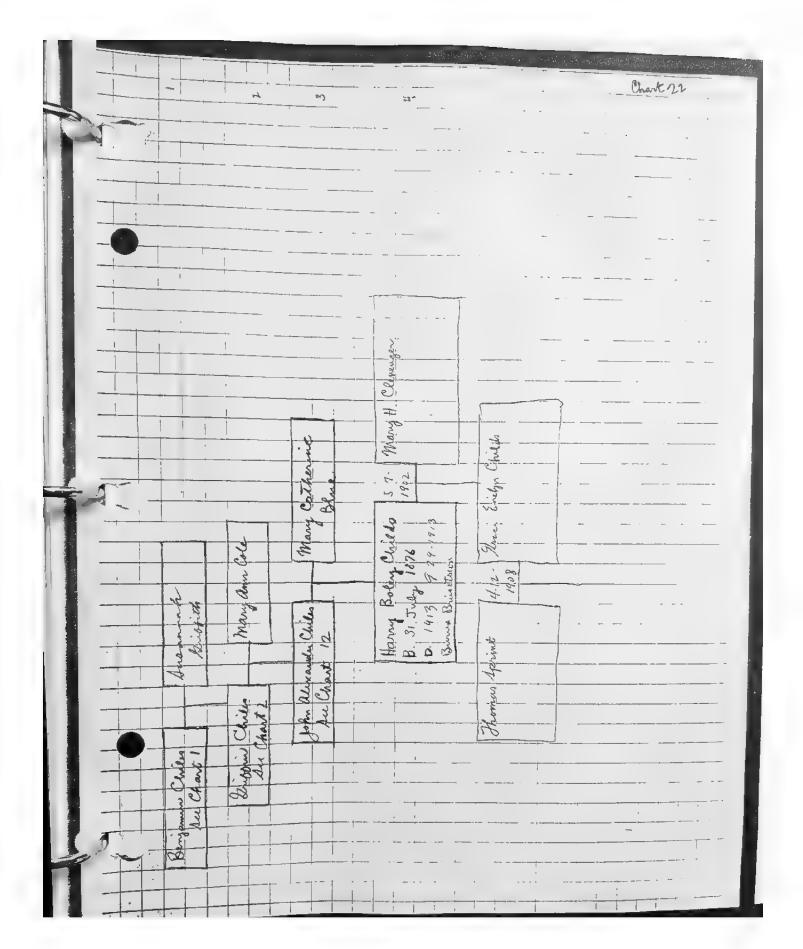
Eleanor Anne Childs, daughter of Preston Childs, born in 1873. Married Mr. Rainey of Covington, Ky. Died in 1893 after giving birth to a son, Wallace, who later became editor of the Lexington, Ky. Herald newspaper. Wallace has a son, Kenneth Rainey, who is now living on Vine Street, Newport, Ky. according to our local phone book.

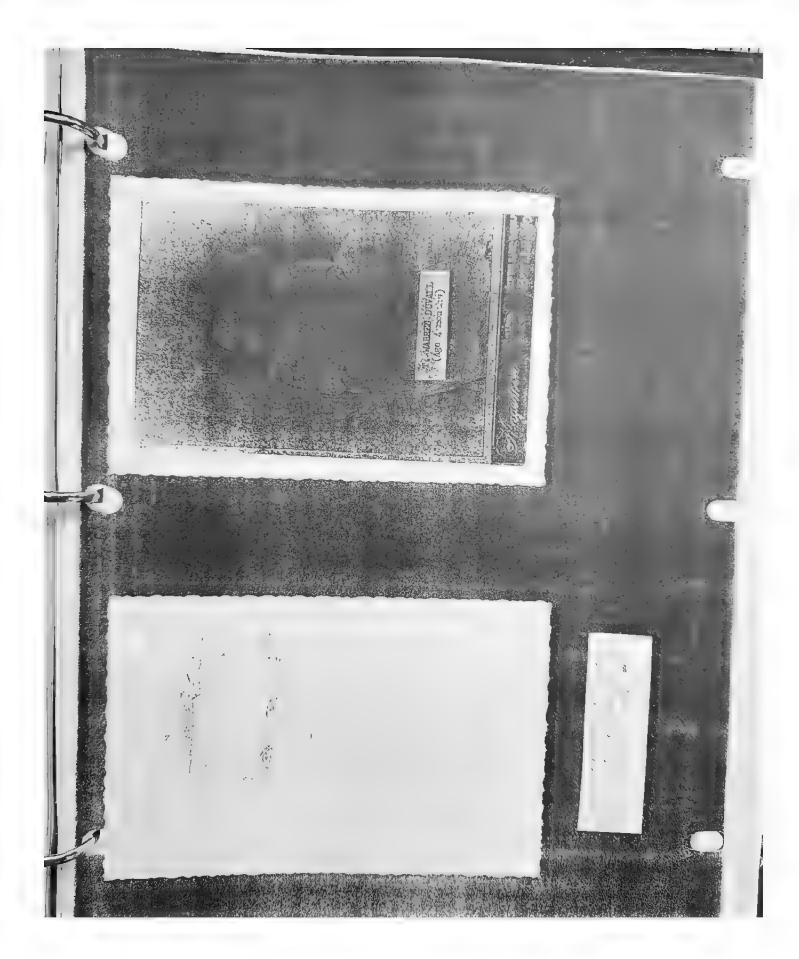
Concerning your comment on descendants of Nancy Childs, now believed living in Aurora, Ind, or Moores Hill. My wife's aunt and uncle live in Moores Hill and we often go over there for visits. Upon our next trip we will endeavor to look up the Griffins there. Hope to come up with something and let you know in the future.

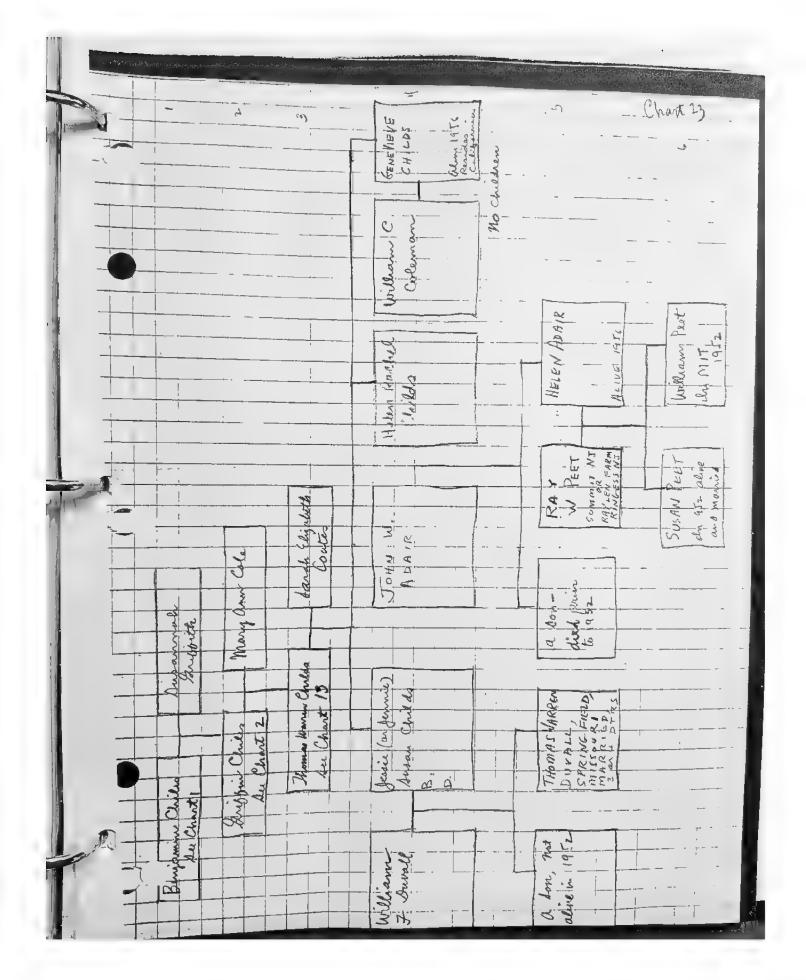
Will have more data later and hope to be able to send some pictures too. The weather should clear up now that we are into May. Thanks so much for your nice letter and am very glad that we are now in contact with each other. I am sure our writing to each other will lead to many pleasant moments in pursuit of our hobby. Until next time, I remain,

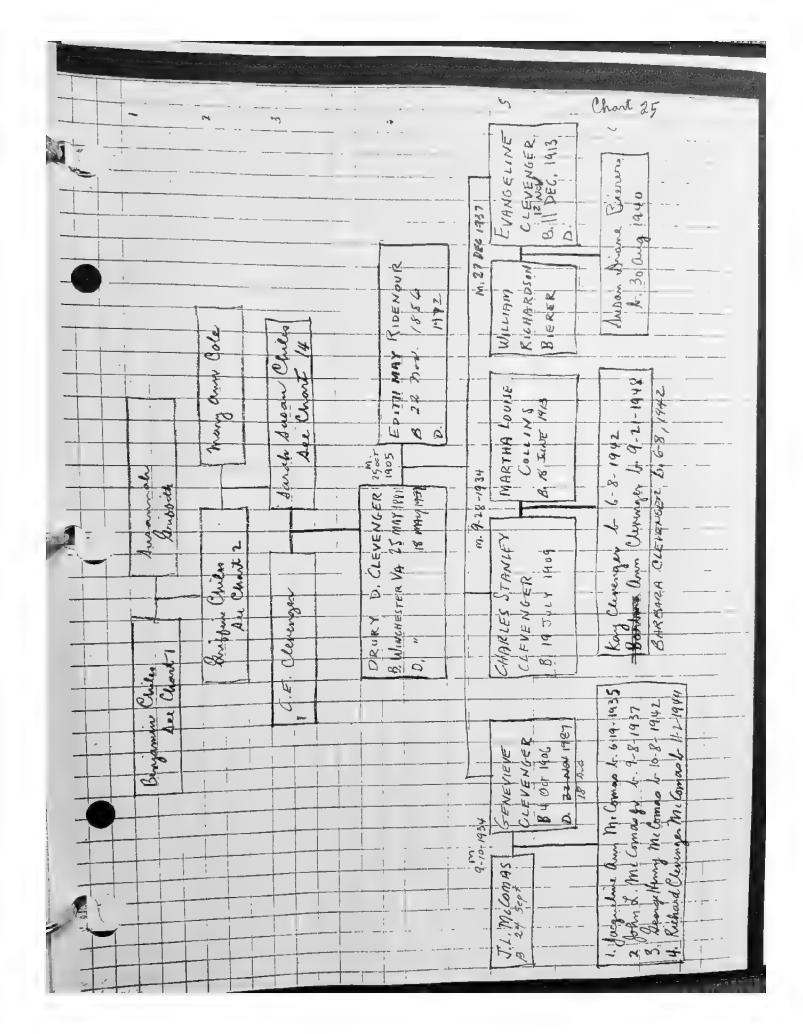
Yours very truly,

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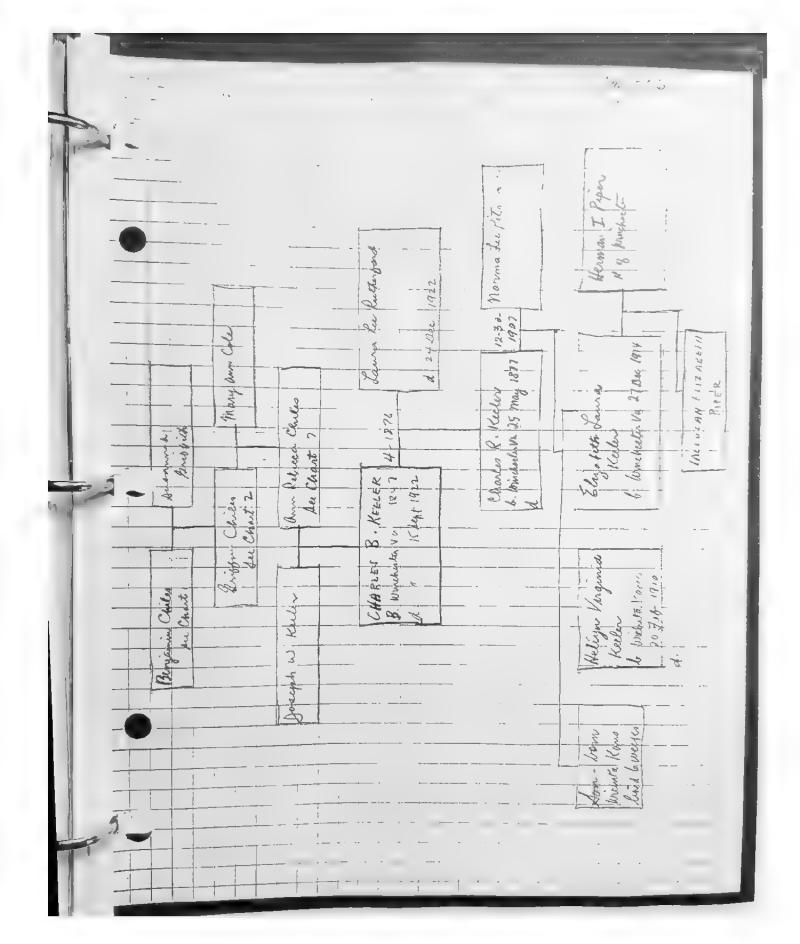








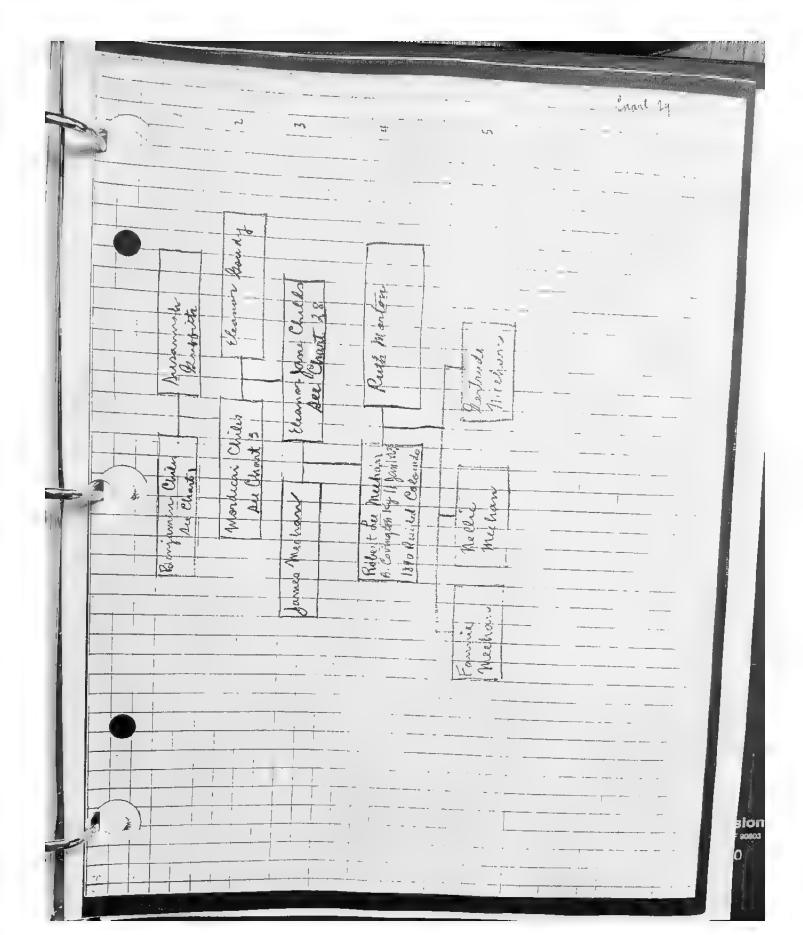




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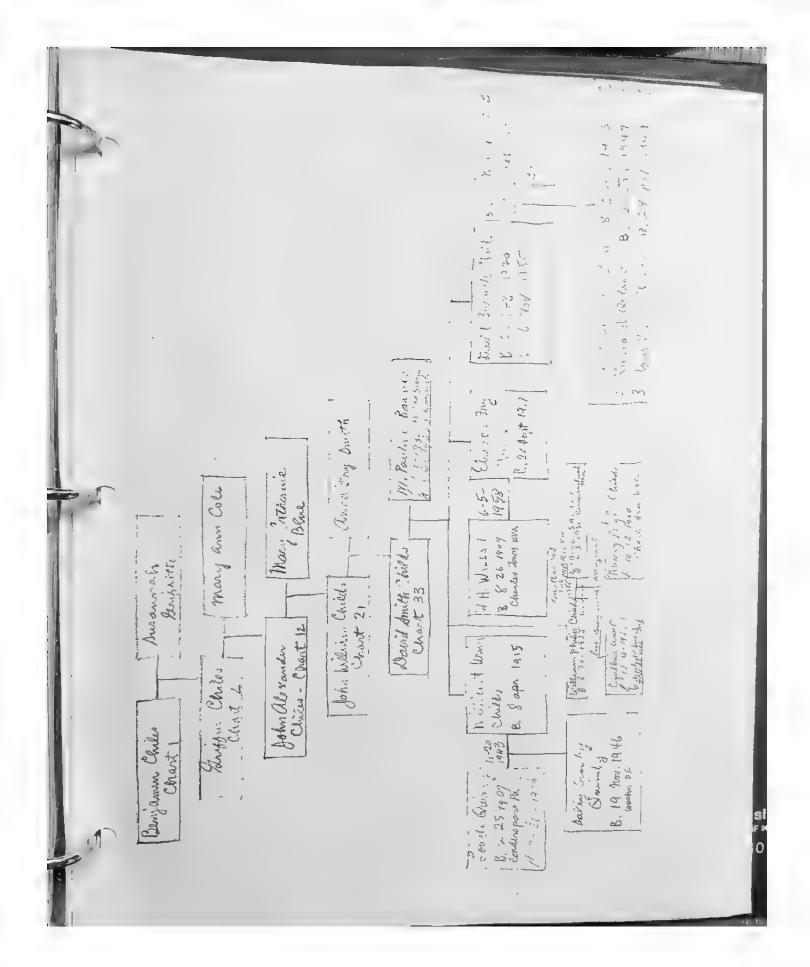








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GRIFFIN CHILES 1795-1875. Harried (1) Mary Ann Cole, (1) Orra Stipe, (3) Susan G. Pidgeon. Lived north of Winchester, Va. Buried Milburn Church (Methodist), now abandoned. Emma Elizabeth Chilos, not shown, a daughter by 3d wife Susan G. Midgeon, was actner of Ridgley Jackson.

Ann Rebacca Chiles married Joseph W. Keeler 1845. Descendants named Keeler alive 1968.

Isaac Benjamin Childs, a business man, married Anna Junkin 1859. Resided and died West Liberty, Iowa. No living descendants 1968, so far as known.

Griffin Chiles, Jr., cabinet maker and carpenter, married Pauline Julia Bohne about 1860 and resided Huntsville, Texas. Died on active duty Co. A, 21st Texas Cavalry CSA (Parsons' Brigade) of illness at Washington, Texas, 10 July 1864. He was my grandfather.

William Ridgely Childs, business man, married Elizabeth Elliott 1862; resided and died West Liberty, Iowa 1884. Che descendant, Harold Sellars Childs of Daytona Beach, Florida, alive in 1968.

James Wilkinson Childs, business man, married Almira E. Williams; resided and died DePere, Wisconsin, 1919.
His granddaughter Jeanne Williams (Mrs. Neil P. Kimball) in 1968 lives near Berryville, Va.

John Alexander Chiles, farmer, married Mary Catherine Blue 1860; lived Winchester area; buried Brucetown. Va. Numerous descendants, including David Burwell Childs and William Philip Childs.

Thomas Warren Childs, business man, married Sarah Elizabeth Coates of Winchester, Va., who was with him in Nevada and Utah 1865/1866; afterward he resided and died Butler, Missouri. Grandson Phomas Warren Childs (Rhodes Scholar) now resides in London, Eng. has 3 sons and probably grandchildren. Grandson Edward Raymond Childs who was alive 1956, then had 2 sons, 1 daughter, now probably grandchildren.

Sarah Susan Childs, married Charles E. Clevenger 1871, resided near Winchester, Va., died 1918 and burted at Hopewell Maeting House (Friends). One son, Drury Clevenger, now decemsed, married and has descendants living in and near Winchester, Va. 1968.

To all my kinsmen who may ever see this, I send greating.

This chart made for Mrs. Eleanor Childs Wilson, great grand-daughter of John Alexander Chiles & Mary Catherine Blue, by Griffin Chiles, Grandson of Griffin Chiles, Jr., 26 July 1968.

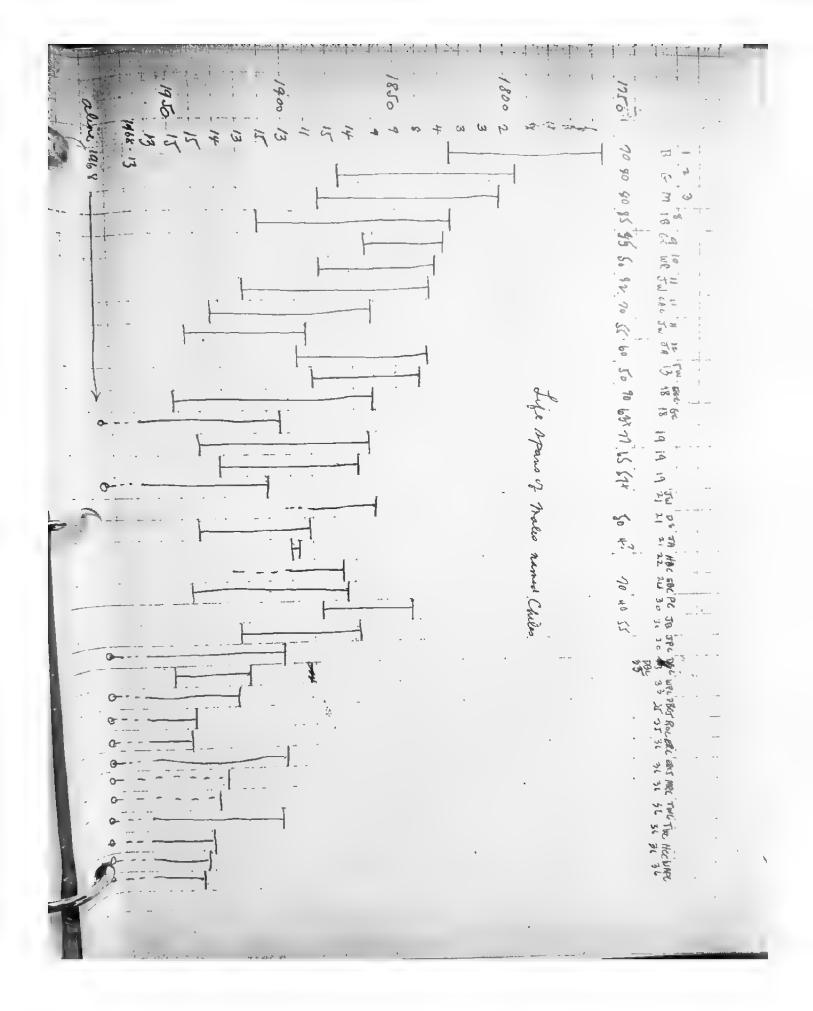
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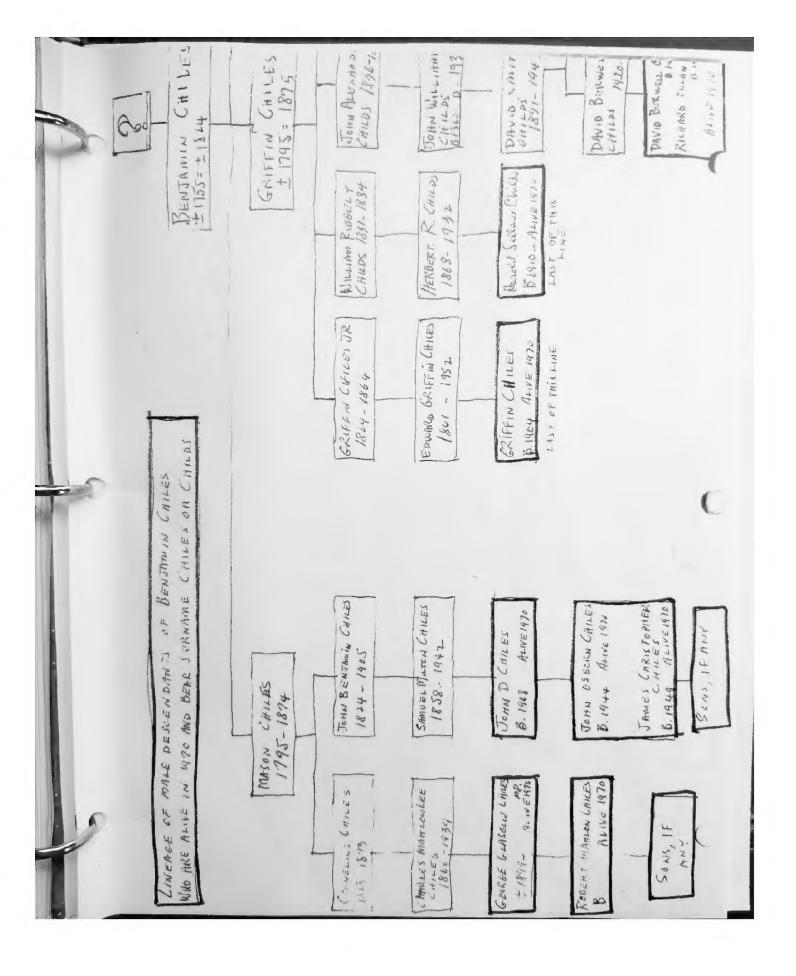
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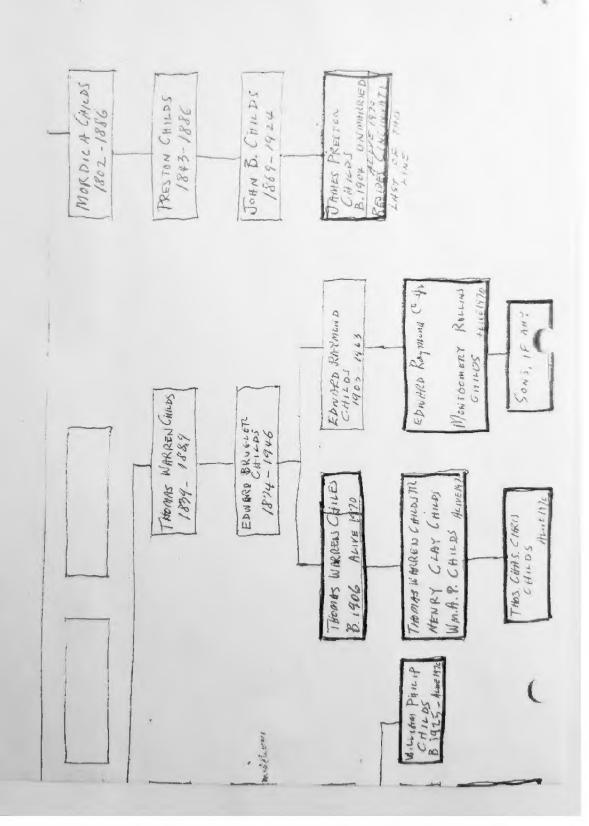
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This indenture made this tenth day of December in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and sixteen between John Conner and Mary his wife of Highland County and State of Ohio of the one part and Benjamin Chiles of Frederick County Virginia of the other part Witnesseth That the John Conner and Mary his wife for and in consideration of the sum of Six hundred dollars them in hand paid the receipt whereof they do acknowledge and forever do acquit and discharge the said Benjamin Chiles his heirs, executors and administrators have granted bargained and sold aliened and confirmed and by these presents do grant bargain sell alien and confirm unto the said Benjamin Chiles his heir's and assigns forever all that part or parcel of land laying and being in the County of Highland and State aforesaid and on the waters of Lees Creek a branch of Rattlesnake a fork of Paint Creek and being part of a survey of Six hundred and twelve acres made in the name of Nathaniel Lucas No. 4004 Beginning at 2 hickories and ash running S. 45 E. 178 poles to a hickory and black oak and dogwood in Stephen Hocketts line thence S. 45 N. 102 poles to Solomon Hodgsons corner elm and maple thence with Hodgsons line N.45 W. 100 poles to another of his corners a bun oak ash and horn beam thence N. 45 B. (162) 162 poles to two elms and hickory thence N. 45 W, 82 poles to two elms and hornbeam thence N. 45 E. 102 poles to the beginning, Containing ONE HUNDRED AND FIVE ACRES be the same more or less, together with all improvements water courses profits appurtenances whatsoever to the said premises or in any wise appertaining and the reversions and profits and all the estate rights titles interests property claim and demand of them the said John Conner and Mary his wife of in and to the same To have and to hold the land hereby conveyed with all and singular the premises and every part and parcel thereof with every of the forever/the call. forever/the only use and behoof of the said Benjamin ax Chiles his heirs and assis heirs and assigns forever and the said John Conner and Mary his wife for themselves for themselves their heirs executors and administrators do covenant promise and promise and agree to and with the said Benjamin Chiles his heirs and assigns by assigns by these presents that the premises before mentioned now are and forever hereafter shall remain free of and from all other gifts grants bargains sales dowers rights and titles of dower judgments executions titles troubles charges and incumbrances whatsoever done or

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suffered to be done by them the said John Conner and Mary his wife or their heirs all and singular the premises hereby gargained and sold with the appurtenances unto the said Benjamin Chiles his heirs and assigns against them the said John Conner and Mary his wif and their heirs and all and every other person or persons whatsoever do and will warrant and forever defend by these presents. In witness whereof they the said John Conner and Mary his wife have hereunto set their hands and seals the day and year first above written.

Signed sealed and deliver in presence of David Terrett
James Rees

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(ate of Ohio, Highland County, SS:

Personally appeared before me the subscriber one of the Justices of the Peace for said County the within named John Conner and Mary his wife who acknowledged that they did sign seal and deliver the above or written instrument of writing for the purposes therein expressed his eife being examined according to law. Given under my hand and seal this 10th day of December, 1816.

David Terrell J.P.

Entered and recorded April the 12th, 1817.

(Recorded Deed Book #3 Page 455, Highland County, Ohio, Deed Records.).